


The attached Appendix includes a marked-up copy of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claim:

32. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim 31, wherein
- the second object is a semiconductor wafer having a diameter of
- approximately 300mm, and
- the interval of the two projecting support members, which are disposed like a
- triangular lattice, of said plurality of projecting support members is set to approximately 1mm
- to 3mm.